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1. Mine "President Benes"

- a. Depth of cover: 52 meters
- b. Depth of coal: 30 m.
- c. Daily cover removed: 22,000/36,000 cubic meters
- d. Average length of haul: 4 kilometers, to be reduced to 3 km.

when there is room for dumps in present workings

e. Production is at present seriously hampered because of the breakdown of the two strippers, both of German type, one being a Krupp with an output of 1,200 cubic m. per hour and the second being a Lauchhammer with an output of 1,000 cubic m. per hour.

f. Production: the target for this mine is 1 to 1½ million tons per annum.

2. Mine "Hedvika" (to be renamed "Roosevelt") Pinpoint: 13° 33' E.
50° 31' N.

- a. Life: probably 30 years
- b. Configuration: dropping 3 to 4 m. toward west, rising 10 m.

toward south

- c. Depth of cover: 60 m., but will increase to 100m.
- d. Depth of coal: 22 m., good bottom layer, poor upper
- e. The stripping machine is a Lauchhammer with an output of 1,200 to 1,800 cubic m. per hour.

f. Output: 1,500 tons per day, but could be increased to about 3,000 tons per day with bigger machines.

3. Mine "Jan Sverma" Pinpoint: 13° 32' 45" E. 50° 32' 15" N.

a. Depth of cover: 35 m., increasing to 50 m. to west and to 60 m. to E.W.

b. Depth of coal: 30 m., made up as follows: top layer 4 m., poor quality, second layer 2½ m., good quality (4,000 calories 22; ash), fourth layer 10 m., domestic coal 6 to 7, ash, bottom layer 6 m., poor quality.

- c. Output: 3,000 tons per day, to be increased to 10,000 per day.

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4. Mine "Gustav"

- a. Life: about 12 years
- b. Depth of cover: 28 m.
- c. Depth of coal: 9 to 11 m.
- d. Present output not known, but aim is 250 tons per day.

5. Mine (proposed "Uzin")

- a. This mine is not yet being worked.
- b. Life is estimated at about 30 years.
- c. Output is estimated at about 1 million tons per annum.
- d. Overburden: 60,000,000 cubic m.
- e. Depth of cover: starts at nothing and continues at 4-5 m. for some distance in from periphery.
- f. Dimensions of proposed site: 4 km. x 6 km.

6. Mine "Patria" Pinpoint: 13° 48' 45" E. 50° 33' 45" N.

- a. Life: about 7 years
- b. Depth of cover: maximum at present 25 m., but will decrease to 15 m.
- c. Depth of coal: 20 m. throughout
- d. Present output unknown; target is about 3/4 million tons per annum.

7. Mine "Lezaky" (new) Pinpoint: 13° 39' 45" E. 50° 31' 45" N.

- a. Life: about 20 years
- b. Depth of cover: 30 m. in center but varies up to 50 m.
- c. Depth of coal: 25 to 28 m.
- d. Present output 3/4 million tons per annum; target 1 1/2 million tons per annum

8. Mine "Svoboda II"

- a. Work in this mine began in February 1947.
- b. Life is estimated at 50 years at 1 million tons per annum.
- c. Depth of cover: 24 m. generally, increasing to 50 m.
- d. Depth of coal: 21 m. average but varies from 10 to 28 m.
- e. Output is at present estimated at 1/2 to 3/4 million tons per annum, but target is 1 million tons per annum.

9. All the mines mentioned above are dependent for power for strippers and truck transport on the Brvenice power station which is adjacent to the lines "Hedvika" and "Jan Sverma", from which it obtains its coal supplies.

10. The condensers of the Brvenice power station are dependent upon a neighboring lake (exact pinpoint not yet known).

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